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AMENDMENT

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1-9. Canceled.

10. (Currently amended) A purified polypeptide comprising ~~SEQ ID NO:5, SEQ ID NO:6, SEQ ID NO:7, SEQ ID NO:8, SEQ ID NO:9, SEQ ID NO:10, or a combination thereof.~~

11. (Previously presented) A composition comprising the polypeptide of claim 10.

12-15. Canceled.

16. (Currently amended) A method of inducing an antigenic response in a subject which comprises administering to the subject at least one CssA protein, at least one CssB protein, or both the polypeptide of claim 10.

17. (Currently amended) The method of claim 16, wherein the CssA protein, the CssB protein, or both are polypeptide is administered in the form of a host that expresses the CssA protein, the CssB protein, or both polypeptide.

18.(Currently amended) The method of claim 16, wherein the host is a bacterial strain.

19. (Currently amended) The method of claim 18, wherein the bacterial strain is attenuated or killed.

20. (Currently amended) The method of claim 16, wherein the CssA protein, the CssB protein, or both are polypeptide is administered to the subject in the form of a food or a drink.

21. (Currently amended) The method of claim 20, wherein the drink is a carbonated beverage.

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22. (Currently amended) The method of claim 16, wherein the ~~CssA protein, the CssB protein, or both are polypeptide is orally administered.~~

23-24. Canceled.

25. (Currently amended) An antigenic composition comprising ~~at least one CssA protein the polypeptide of claim 10.~~

26. (Currently amended) The antigenic composition of claim 25, and further comprising at least one CssB protein.

27-30. Canceled.

31. (New) The purified polypeptide of claim 10, encoded by SEQ ID NO:4.